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JUSTICE KILBRIDE TO ADMINISTER OATH TO NEW ATTORNEYS

Illinois Supreme Court Justice Thomas Kilbride will administer the attorney's oath when 10 new lawyers are admitted to practice in ceremonies in Ottawa on Thursday, May 7.

The group is among 616 men and women who were certified as candidates and will be sworn in as Illinois attorneys at ceremonies in the state's five Supreme Court judicial districts.

The Ottawa program in the Third Judicial District will begin at 11 a.m. in the Appellate Court Building, located at 1004 Columbus Street.

Justice Kilbride will preside over the ceremony and welcome the members of the class, their families and friends.

Mark Hassakis, second vice-president of the Illinois State Bar Association, will be the speaker for the ceremony. He is partner with the firm of Hassakis & Hassakis in Mt. Vernon.

Attorney Gina E. Goode will make the motion to admit the class. Her brother, Jason R. Goode, is a member of the class. Ms. Goode is with the law firm of White, Marsh, Anderson, Martin, Vickers, Deobler and Goode in Ottawa.

David Andich, a member of the Illinois Board of Admissions to the Bar, will second the motion to admit the class. He is partner with the firm of Andich and Andich in Rock Island.

A reception will follow.

All of the candidates have passed the Illinois State Bar Examination, a required ethics examination and were certified by the Committee on Character and Fitness.

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The new attorneys will bring the total number of licensed attorneys in Illinois to approximately 86,000.

Media coverage is invited.

The Third Judicial District is made up of these counties: Will, Iroquois, Kankakee, Grundy, LaSalle, Marshall, Putnam, Bureau, Whiteside, Henry, Stark, Peoria, Fulton, Knox, Whiteside, Rock Island, Mercer, Warren, Henderson, Hancock and McDonough.

Ceremonies in the other districts will be held in Chicago, Collinsville, Springfield and Elgin.

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